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Sir:

The Patent Office is requested to use the computer readable form of the Sequence Listing from the parent Application No. 08/362,455, for the present application. The attached paper copy of the Sequence Listing is the same as the computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing submitted in the parent Application No. 08/362,455. No new matter has been added.

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